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PATENT APPLICATION

THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of )

Applicant: Allen et al. )

Title: Use of *Echinacea* as a Feed )  
Additive to Enhance )  
Protection Against )  
Coccidiosis )

Group Art Unit: 1645

Examiner: Fields

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME  
AND AMENDMENTS

Sir:

Applicants hereby petition for a two-month extension of time to respond to the Office action mailed September 5, 2002, thereby extending the period for response to February 5, 2003. Please charge deposit account 50-2134 the \$410.00 fee for said extension. Please charge any additional fees which may be

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required at any time during prosecution of the instant application to deposit account 50-2134.

AMENDMENTS

It is respectfully requested that the following amendment be entered in the above-identified application:

In the Claims

B<sup>1</sup>  
1. (Twice amended) A method for protecting poultry against coccidiosis, said method comprising inoculating chicks with an effective amount of an anticoccidial vaccine and providing a dietary regimen composition comprising an *Echinacea* supplement in an amount effective for enhancing an immune response to said vaccine and poultry feed.

B<sup>2</sup>  
8. (Amended) A dietary composition for poultry, said composition comprising an *Echinacea* preparation in an amount effective for enhancing an immune response to an anticoccidial vaccine and poultry feed.

Cancel claims 5 and 11.